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1. NOISE

1.1. CONSTRUCTION

CONSTRUCTION NOISE MODEL RESULTS

This section presents the results of the noise predictions for the Construction Stage of the DCO Proposed Development.

This Revision B of Appendix 15.3: Noise and Vibration Assessment Results replaces and supersedes Revision A (APP-146). Appendix 15.3 (Revision B) provides updated baseline information in response to the proposed design changes as outlined in Table i.i of Chapter I of the ES Addendum 2023 Change Request 1.

As discussed in **Chapter 15 – Noise and Vibration (Volume II)**, a noise model was produced using CadnaA software. The following activities have been included in the model:

- Open cut trenches: daytime only;
- Trenchless crossings: daytime, evening and night-time;
- Compounds: daytime only;
- AGIs and BVSs: daytime only; and
- Access locations for heavy vehicles: daytime only.

Open cut trenches have been modelled in three potential locations in order to predict the potential variation in noise impact. The following scenarios were modelled:

- Indicative Newbuild Carbon Dioxide Pipeline route, as presented in **Figure 3.2 DCO Proposed Development (Volume IV)**;
- Indicative Newbuild Carbon Dioxide Pipeline route near the north west part of the Newbuild Infrastructure Boundary, therefore closer to noise sensitive receptors located north west of the boundary; and
- Indicative Newbuild Carbon Dioxide Pipeline route near the south east part of the Newbuild Infrastructure Boundary, therefore closer to noise sensitive receptors located south east of the boundary.

Table 1, **Table 2**, and **Table 3** present the number of noise sensitive receptors subject to a negligible to high magnitude of impact in accordance with the criteria presented in **Table 15.14 in Chapter 15 – Noise and Vibration (Volume II)**. The tables show the number of receptors for both unmitigated and mitigated scenarios.

Table 1 - Magnitude of Construction Noise Impact – Indicative Route

Magnitude of Impact	Number of Receptors – Unmitigated			Number of Receptors – Mitigated		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Negligible	9221087	19562431	15561851	28042858	32943403	28043057
Low	21051991	809685	468533	955956	313271	504379
Medium	503502	606366	675638	5137	163131	267202
High	328276	487374	1159834	85	8851	283218

Table 2 - Magnitude of Construction Noise Impact – Route near North West Boundary

Magnitude of Impact	Number of Receptors – Unmitigated			Number of Receptors – Mitigated		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Negligible	9191016	19772315	15561779	27832826	32893329	27912968
Low	20712034	773710	485499	985949	308299	501372
Medium	524513	590410	633657	6759	172168	263228
High	344293	518421	1184921	2322	8960	303288

Table 3 - Magnitude of Construction Noise Impact – Route near South East Boundary

Magnitude of Impact	Number of Receptors – Unmitigated			Number of Receptors – Mitigated		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Negligible	<u>9371064</u>	<u>19882332</u>	<u>15941819</u>	<u>27932861</u>	<u>33403429</u>	<u>28323028</u>
Low	<u>21022004</u>	<u>787688</u>	<u>479491</u>	<u>973919</u>	<u>273243</u>	<u>526416</u>
Medium	<u>490487</u>	<u>619465</u>	<u>613646</u>	<u>7355</u>	<u>137130</u>	<u>224191</u>
High	<u>329301</u>	<u>464371</u>	<u>1172900</u>	<u>1921</u>	<u>10854</u>	<u>276221</u>

Table 4, Table 5 and Table 6 present a range of predicted noise levels associated with the three open trench routes modelled for both unmitigated and mitigated scenarios. The values shown in the tables correspond to façade noise levels at a height of 4m for receptors within the Study Area. Values for evening and night-time relate to associated variations in the locations for trenchless crossings.

Table 4 - Predicted Noise Levels – Indicative Newbuild Carbon Dioxide Pipeline Route

Magnitude of Impact	Unmitigated Central L _{Aeq} dB			Mitigated Central L _{Aeq} dB		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Negligible	<u>15 – 65 – 15</u>	<u>9 – 59 – 9</u>	<u>9 – 57 – 9</u>	<u>15 – 63 – 15</u>	<u>9 – 59 – 9</u>	<u>9 – 57 – 9</u>
Low	<u>48 – 70 – 48</u>	<u>43 – 65 – 43</u>	<u>40 – 54 – 40</u>	<u>48 – 70 – 48</u>	<u>42 – 64 – 42</u>	<u>40 – 55 – 40</u>
Medium	<u>65 – 75 – 65</u>	<u>70 – 55 – 69</u>	<u>46 – 60 – 46</u>	<u>71 – 65 – 69</u>	<u>69 – 55 – 68</u>	<u>60 – 45 – 59</u>
High	<u>83 – 70 – 82</u>	<u>83 – 60 – 82</u>	<u>83 – 50 – 82</u>	<u>73 – 70 – 72</u>	<u>73 – 60 – 64</u>	<u>73 – 50 – 72</u>

Table 5 - Predicted Noise Levels – Route near North West Boundary

Magnitude of Impact	Unmitigated South-East Boundary L_{Aeq} dB			Mitigated South-East Boundary L_{Aeq} dB		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Negligible	<u>64</u> – 15 – <u>65</u>	<u>9</u> – 59 – <u>9</u>	<u>9</u> – 57 – <u>9</u>	<u>63</u> – 15 – <u>65</u>	<u>9</u> – 59 – <u>9</u>	<u>9</u> – 57 – <u>9</u>
Low	<u>52</u> – 70 – <u>48</u>	<u>43</u> – 65 – <u>43</u>	<u>53</u> – 42 <u>41</u> – <u>54</u>	<u>69</u> – 47 – <u>70</u>	<u>42</u> – 65 – <u>42</u>	<u>55</u> – 40 – <u>53</u>
Medium	<u>65</u> – 75 – <u>65</u>	<u>69.7</u> – 55 – <u>70</u>	<u>46</u> – 60 – <u>45</u>	<u>72</u> – 65 – <u>74</u>	<u>69</u> – 55 – <u>68</u>	<u>45</u> – 60 – <u>45</u>
High	<u>84</u> – 70 – <u>88</u>	<u>84</u> – 60 – <u>83</u>	<u>84</u> – 50 – <u>83</u>	<u>74</u> – 70 – <u>78</u>	<u>60</u> – 74 – <u>60</u>	<u>50</u> – 74 – <u>50</u>

Table 6 - Predicted Noise Levels – Route near South East Boundary

Magnitude of Impact	Unmitigated North-West Boundary L_{Aeq} dB			Mitigated North-West Boundary L_{Aeq} dB		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Negligible	<u>15</u> – 65 – <u>15</u>	<u>9</u> – 59 – <u>9</u>	<u>9</u> – 57 – <u>9</u>	<u>15</u> – 63 – <u>15</u>	<u>9</u> – 59 – <u>9</u>	<u>9</u> – 57 – <u>9</u>
Low	<u>48</u> – 70 – <u>52</u>	<u>43</u> – 65 – <u>43</u>	<u>54</u> – 43 <u>42</u> – <u>45</u>	<u>70</u> – 47 – <u>69</u>	<u>65</u> – 42 – <u>59</u>	<u>40</u> – 55 – <u>40</u>
Medium	<u>65</u> – 75 – <u>65</u>	<u>70</u> – 55 – <u>69</u>	<u>45</u> – 60 – <u>46</u>	<u>75</u> – 65 – <u>70</u>	<u>70</u> – 55 – <u>60</u>	<u>45</u> – 60 – <u>45</u>
High	<u>88</u> – 70 – <u>92</u>	<u>84</u> – 60 – <u>86</u>	<u>84</u> – 50 – <u>86</u>	<u>78</u> – 70 – <u>82</u>	<u>60</u> – 74 – <u>60</u>	<u>50</u> – 74 – <u>50</u>

Important Areas and Noise Action Planning Priority Areas

Table 7 shows ~~the~~ Noise Important Areas (IAs) where there are noise sensitive receptors likely to experience ~~a significant adverse effect either a medium or a high magnitude of noise impact~~ during the construction period. ~~No~~ However, no significant adverse effects were identified within IAs or Noise Action Planning Priority Areas (NAPPAs).

Table 7 - Significant Adverse Effects within IAs

Alignment Variant	Period	NIA ID
		10784
Central Indicative Alignment	Day	0
	Evening	0
	Night	X
North-West Boundary Alignment	Day	0
	Evening	0
	Night	X
South-East Boundary Alignment	Day	0
	Evening	0
	Night	X

Construction Road Traffic Noise

An assessment of the potential noise impact due to road traffic noise impact during the Construction Stage was undertaken. **Table 8** and **Table 9** ~~present~~presents the changes in noise levels predicted for the following scenarios:

- ~~Year 2025 without DCO Proposed Development (2025 Do-Minimum) versus Year 2021 without DCO Proposed Development (2021 Do-Minimum); and~~
- Year 2025 with DCO Proposed Development (2025 Do-Something) versus Year 2025 without DCO Proposed Development (2025 Do-Minimum).

The noise levels presented in the tables correspond to $L_{A10,18hr}$ dB in accordance with guidance in the Calculation of Road Traffic Noise (CRTN). For road links where the road traffic flows are low and outside the scope of CRTN, then noise levels $L_{Aeq,18hr}$ have been compared using guidance in the Advisory Council (1978): A guide to measurement and prediction of sound level L_{eq} .

Road links IDs referred in the tables are described in **Appendix 17-4 Baseline Traffic Data (Volume III)**.

Table 8 – 2021 and 2025 Road Traffic Noise Levels Comparison

Link ID	2021 Do-Minimum					2025 Do-Minimum					Change in Noise Level (dB)
	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	
1	337	8	4361	68	-	351	7	4545	68	-	0
2	336	7	4657	68	-	351	7	4854	68	-	0
3	26	2	1595	65	-	27	2	1662	65	-	0
4	11	1	1469	64	-	12	1	1531	64	-	0
5	7	2	291	-	50	7	2	303	-	50	0
6	10	1	1595	62	-	10	1	1662	62	-	0
7	302	2	16796	71	-	312	2	17332	71	-	0
8	222	3	7914	68	-	229	3	8167	68	-	0
9	27	0	6310	67	-	28	0	6512	67	-	0
10	10	1	1657	62	-	10	1	1710	62	-	0

Link ID	2021 Do-Minimum					2025 Do-Minimum					Change in Noise Level (dB)
	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L _{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L _{Aeq} dB) at 10m	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L _{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L _{Aeq} dB) at 10m	
11	98	1	8222	66	-	101	1	8484	66	-	0
12	153	1	11760	68	-	158	1	12135	68	-	0
13	238	4	5966	66	-	248	4	6219	66	-	0
14	391	10	3842	65	-	404	10	3965	65	-	0
15	0	0	4684	65	-	0	0	4882	65	-	0
16	7	2	323	-	49	7	2	334	-	49	0
17	1	1	146	-	48	1	1	150	-	48	0
18	6	2	347	-	51	6	2	358	-	51	0
19	232	2	13323	70	-	242	2	13886	71	-	0
21	7	0	1555	62	-	7	0	1604	62	-	0
22	345	6	5320	66	-	356	6	5490	66	-	0

Link ID	2021 Do-Minimum					2025 Do-Minimum					Change in Noise Level (dB)
	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	
24	4	5	85	-	44	4	5	88	-	44	0
25	432	9	4979	66	-	446	9	5138	66	-	0
26	168	11	1563	66	-	173	11	1613	66	-	0
27	38	2	1590	64	-	39	2	1640	64	-	0
28	111	2	4719	66	-	114	2	4870	66	-	0

Table 9
Table 8 - 2025 Road Traffic Basic Noise Levels Comparison

Link ID	2025 Do-Minimum					2025 Do-Something					Change in Noise Level (dB)
	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	
1	351 654	7.5 %	4545 8,682	6871	-	483 684	97.7 %	5205 8,831	6971	-	+10
2	351 612	72.4 %	4854 25,085	6876	-	379 656	82.6 %	4994 25,304	6876	-	0
3	27 22	21.5 %	1662 1,475	6566	-	111 42	52.7 %	2082 1,577	66	-	+10
4	42 12	40.8 %	1531 1,449	64	-	40 25	21.6 %	1671 1,512	64	-	0
5	7 8	2.6 %	303 304	-60	5049	35 21	85.6 %	443 367	-60	5250	+21
6	10 9	40.6 %	1662 1,497	6263	-	62 40	32.4 %	1922 1,654	63	-	+10
7	312 256	21.5 %	17332 16,610	7173	-	354 289	21.7 %	17542 16,775	7273	-	+10
8	229 24	30.7 %	8167 3,340	6867	-	271 57	31.6 %	8377 3,504	6967	-	+10
9	28 23	0.4 %	6512 6,076	6769	-	136 33	20.5 %	7052 6,123	6869	-	+10

Link ID	2025 Do-Minimum					2025 Do-Something					Change in Noise Level (dB)
	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (LA10 dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (LAeq dB) at 10m	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (LA10 dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (LAeq dB) at 10m	
10	108	40.5 %	1710 1,640	62	-	100 18	51.0 %	2160 1,687	6362	-	40
11	101 86	1.1 %	8484 7,633	6669	-	167 95	1.2 %	8814 7,680	6769	-	40
12	158 130	1.2 %	12135 11,254	6869	-	224 149	21.3 %	12465 11,348	6869	-	0
13	248 226	43.9 %	6219 5,792	66	-	272 235	4.0 %	6339 5,839	66	-	0
14	404 348	409.5 %	3965 3,664	65	-	428 358	109.6 %	4085 3,711	6665	-	40
15	0 514	012.4 %	4882 4,144	6567	-	24 542	012.7 %	5002 4,285	6667	-	40
16	7 6	21.8 %	334 311	-60	49	34 15	74.2 %	454 358	-60	5149	20
17	4 1	40.8 %	150 141	-63	4847	25 11	95.6 %	270 188	-62	5148	31
18	6 6	21.9 %	358 340	-61	5150	58 38	97.6 %	618 497	-60	5452	32

Link ID	2025 Do-Minimum					2025 Do-Something					Change in Noise Level (dB)
	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L _{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L _{Aeq} dB) at 10m	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L _{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L _{Aeq} dB) at 10m	
19	242 228	21.5 %	13886 15,679	7174	-	266 247	21.6 %	14006 15,773	7174	-	0
21	7 4	0.2 %	1604 1,753	6261	-	34 23	1.2 %	1724 1,847	6261	-	0
22	356 7	60.5 %	5490 1,462	6661	-	404 26	71.6 %	5730 1,556	6661	-	0
24	4 273	5.5 %	88 4,991	-66	44-	28 292	145.7 %	204 5,085	-66	49-	50
25	446 12	90.6 %	5138 1,928	6662	-	470 30	91.5 %	5258 2,022	6662	-	0
26	173 3	114.0 %	1613 80	6664	-43	197 22	1112.6 %	1733 174	6661	-46	03
27	39 360	27.8 %	1640 4,630	6463	-	63 378	48.0 %	1760 4,724	6563	-	10
28	129	9.0 %	1,423	64	-	147	9.7 %	1,517	64	-	0
29	30	2.0 %	1,525	64	-	49	3.0 %	1,619	65	-	1

Link ID	2025 Do-Minimum					2025 Do-Something					Change in Noise Level (dB)
	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	HGV	HGV (%)	Total	18 Hour Basic Noise Level (L_{A10} dB) at 10m	18 Hour Noise Level (L_{Aeq} dB) at 10m	
<u>30</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>2.1 %</u>	<u>4,612</u>	<u>69</u>	=	<u>114</u>	<u>2.4 %</u>	<u>4,706</u>	<u>69.</u>	=	<u>0</u>
<u>31</u>	<u>318</u>	<u>2.2 %</u>	<u>14,696</u>	<u>73</u>	=	<u>351</u>	<u>2.4 %</u>	<u>14,861</u>	<u>73</u>	=	<u>0</u>
<u>32</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0.1 %</u>	<u>8,159</u>	<u>67</u>	=	<u>42</u>	<u>0.5 %</u>	<u>8,324</u>	<u>67</u>	=	<u>0</u>
<u>33</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1.8 %</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>62.</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>8.3 %</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>34</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0.3 %</u>	<u>2,518</u>	<u>62</u>	=	<u>17</u>	<u>0.7 %</u>	<u>2,565</u>	<u>62</u>	=	<u>0</u>
<u>35</u>	<u>4,853</u>	<u>7.1 %</u>	<u>68,223</u>	<u>80</u>	=	<u>4,872</u>	<u>7.1 %</u>	<u>68,317</u>	<u>80</u>	=	<u>0</u>
<u>36</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>2.3 %</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>5.7 %</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>37</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2.9 %</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>15.4 %</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>283</u> <u>8</u>	<u>114</u> <u>37</u>	<u>20.5 %</u>	<u>4870</u> <u>8,187</u>	<u>66</u>	-	<u>138</u> <u>56</u>	<u>30.7 %</u>	<u>4990</u> <u>8,281</u>	<u>66</u>	-	<u>0</u>

Biodiversity Receptors

Table 409 presents the mitigated construction noise levels predicted at locations representative of biodiversity receptors. A description of the associated receptors and the assessment are presented in **Chapter 9 - Biodiversity (Volume II)**.

Table 109 - Predicted Mitigated Construction Noise Levels at Biodiversity Receptors

Biodiversity Receptor	Noise Level L _{Aeq} dB								
	Indicative Route			Route near North West Boundary			Route near South East Boundary		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
B113	64	4517	4517	61	22	22	79	34	34
T49	63	4644	4644	61	4946	4946	68	4340	4340
T102	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
T190	656 4	6257	6257	676 5	6454	6454	646 0	6252	6252
T200	645 7	6348	6348	616 2	5659	5659	63	62	62
T220	65	58	58	68	62	62	64	5150	5150
T325 – T327	65	5152	5152	61	5051	5051	73	5152	5152
T365	63	< 10	< 10	76	< 10	< 10	60	< 10	< 10
T371	60	5758	5758	58	56	56	74	64	64
T111	646 5	5052	5053	606 1	5052	505	82	5153	5153
T166	726 4	56	56	666 3	5756	5756	63	5655	5655
T321	63	5049	5049	74	5049	5049	59	4948	4948
L5455	71	3413	3413	71	3313	3313	71	3513	3513
L5455	66	3515	3515	66	3415	3415	66	3615	3615
L6455	626 1	5754	5754	696 8	6055	6055	605 9	5552	5552

DECOMMISSIONING

AGI and BVS

Table 4110 presents the number of receptors that would receive either a medium or high magnitude of impact from noise levels during decommissioning of AGIs and BVSs. The receptor experiencing a medium magnitude of impact after mitigation is near the BVS proposed on Cornist Lane, south of Bryn Awel.

Table 4110 - Number of Receptors during Decommissioning

Unmitigated		Mitigated	
Medium	High	Medium	High
132	133	403	9

1.2. VIBRATION

CONSTRUCTION

Piling and Ground Compaction

Table 4211 and **Table 4312** present the peak particle velocities predicted for the vibratory piling and ground compaction activities during the Construction Stage. The values correspond to steady state operation.

The predictions presented in the table are presented for a range of distances including the SOAEL and LOAEL defined for human perception in **Chapter 15 – Noise and Vibration (Volume II)**.

No significant sources of vibration are expected during decommissioning.

Table 4211 - Peak Particle Velocity During Vibratory Piling

Distance (m)	Peak Particle Velocity (mm/s)		
	95 % Confidence Level	67 % Confidence Level	50 % Confidence Level
5	27.9	13.2	6.3
10	10.6	5.0	2.4
15	6.0	2.8	1.4
20	4.0	1.9	0.9
25	2.9	1.4	0.7
30	2.3	1.1	0.5
35	1.8	0.9	0.4

Distance (m)	Peak Particle Velocity (mm/s)		
	95 % Confidence Level	67 % Confidence Level	50 % Confidence Level
40	1.5	0.7	0.3
45	1.3	0.6	-
50	1.1	0.5	-
55	1.0	0.5	-
60	0.9	0.4	-
65	0.8	0.4	-
70	0.7	0.3	-
75	0.6	-	-
80	0.6	-	-
85	0.5	-	-
90	0.5	-	-
95	0.5	-	-
100	0.4	-	-
105	0.4	-	-
110	0.4	-	-
115	0.3	-	-

Table 4312 - Peak Particle Velocity During Ground Compaction

Distance (m)	Peak Particle Velocity (mm/s)		
	95 % Confidence Level	67 % Confidence Level	50 % Confidence Level
5	19.6	10.2	5.3
10	8.5	4.4	2.3
15	5.0	2.6	1.4
20	3.4	1.7	0.9
25	2.5	1.3	0.7
30	1.9	1.0	0.5
35	1.5	0.8	0.4
40	1.3	0.7	0.3
45	1.1	0.6	-

Distance (m)	Peak Particle Velocity (mm/s)		
	95 % Confidence Level	67 % Confidence Level	50 % Confidence Level
50	0.9	0.5	-
55	0.8	0.4	-
60	0.7	0.4	-
65	0.6	0.3	-
70	0.6	-	-
75	0.5	-	-
80	0.5	-	-
85	0.4	-	-
90	0.4	-	-
95	0.4	-	-
100	0.3	-	-